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The Honorable Duncan L. Hunter
Chairman, Committee on Armed Services
United States House of Representatives
Washington DC 20515-6035

Dear Mr. Chairman

The Air Force intends to carry out an unspecified minor military construction project at Holloman AFB, New Mexico, using Military Construction Appropriations Act funds. This \$1,481,000 project is required to provide a Mobility Processing Center for the 49th Fighter Wing (FW). The Air Expeditionary Force (AEF) Center designated Holloman AFB as the lead wing for AEF Cycle 4, scheduled for the summer of 2004. This tasking will require the base to prepare and stage twice the number of people and cargo for deployment than the current facilities can handle. Also the current personnel and cargo deployment facilities are located a mile apart significantly hindering communications and coordination. Without an improved Mobility Processing Facility, the 49th FW and its fleet of F-117A stealth fighters will be unable to meet deployment response requirements.

A similar letter has been sent to the Ranking Minority Member of your Committee.

Sincerely



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Attachment:
Air Force Report (P-341 Project, Mobility
Processing Facility, Holloman AFB, NM)